

HOME NEWS

—There will be a Sacramental meeting at the Marlinton church next Sunday.

—Will McLaughlin sprained his ankle while playing football, last Saturday.

—The Marlinton football team has challenged the English team at Mingo, for a game of football here on Thanksgiving day.

—N. C. McNeil, of Marlinton, and S. S. Varner, of Split Rock, are off to Charleston as petit jurors of the Federal Court.

—Greenbrier Presbytery has been divided; all churches below Hinton, formerly in this presbytery form the Kanawha Presbytery.

—Some people about this place are said to be very businesslike. They sell their corn in the fall at sixty cents, and buy it back in the winter at one dollar.

—The many friends of Mrs. S. B. Hannah will be pleased to know that she has so far recovered from her severe injuries as to be about equal to her domestic duties.

—Mr. J. H. Curry is about well of the suffering that required the amputation of his finger, and hopes soon to resume his work, suspended so long by his injury.

—It is a cold day when a whiskey man gets left, but J. Alex. Bumgardner, the man who has manufactured the famous brand of whiskey, of Staunton, has assigned his entire property.

—It looks specially providential that the nice residences owned by Messrs. Gladwell and Yeager were not burned by the Oliver conflagration. There was a lively fusillade of cartridges. One perforated the dining room window at Gladwell's. This indicates the door was open on that side.

—Levi Gay, Esqr., as receiver, is prepared to make a pro rata payment of 22 per cent on the U. S. McNeil debts, and is now paying out money at this rate. All having claims which have been duly reported and decreed to be paid, will receive their money by calling on him.

—A survey has been begun from this place to the C. & O. Railroad, in the Southeastern part of the State. The route from here is up Craven's Run to the top of Cheat mountain, and across to Shaffer's Fork, and thence to the head of Shaffer's Fork, across the divide, and down Greenbrier river.—*Elkins Inter-Mountain.*

—Andrew Sheets, son of William Sheets, of Green Bank, met with a severe accident, several weeks since, while logging near Alexander, Upshur county, narrowly escaping with his life. The doctor thought by amputating half of the foot the rest might be saved. The results were not favorable, so there was a second amputation, just above the ankle joint. His father brought him home last week; he stood the journey well, and is improving rapidly.

—The hauling of the material used for building the court-house, is something immense. Sixty tons of slate are being hauled from Hot Springs, thirty-four miles over two mountains. Forty tons of other material is at Ronceverte, 46 miles distant, to be hauled. There will be probably two hundred tons in all to come from the railroad. There have been thousands of loads of stone and probably 700,000 bricks. A one-horse load of brick is about three thousand pounds.

—Those who have noticed the moon this week, have remarked that it appeared unusually large. The *Scientific American* explains this as being due to the fact that the moon is in its perigee, and very much nearer the earth than usual, hence there is very good reason that the moon should appear larger. It is nearest on the 16th. Another astronomical phenomenon is attracting the attention of the scientists this month; the star Algol blazes as a star of the fourth magnitude, and then becomes so dim that it can hardly be seen, to renew its brilliancy again shortly. This is supposed to be due to a large black mass which revolves around it and intervenes between the star and the earth, shutting off the light of the star.

—A critical operation was performed the 3d of November on the left eye of Mrs. Mary Ann Wooddell, relict of the late Andrew Wooddell, of Green Bank, by the resident physicians, Moomau, Austin, and Little. Thirty-three years ago, her brothers being in the service, she helped her father, the venerable Thomas Kerr, in the meadows. Something, supposed to have been a hayseed, got into her eye, and has caused her suffering ever since. The injury became so painful and swollen it was deemed necessary to extract the eye to save her life.

—The Green Bank vicinity seems to excel in productive gardens. Some fine specimens were shown the writer during a recent visit. Mr. George W. Kerr exhibited an "old field" turnip that weighed seven pounds. The top was three feet high, and it would require both hands to grasp it. Mr. John R. Warwick showed a cabbage head that weighed seventeen pounds when free from stalk and surplus leaves, and seemed solid as a block of wood. Mrs. J. C. Arbogast seems to excel in the beet industry.

—A Levels man has a way of keeping chestnuts by burying them as one does vegetables. This is said to keep the worms from destroying them, and, also, to keep them fresh and sweet. The greatest trouble with chestnuts is that the worms destroy them often before they can be marketed, let the dealer be ever so expeditious, so if this is a successful way of keeping them it will be a great boon. The idea belongs to the ground squirrel, who stores his hoard in a hole in the ground.

—There is one case of typhoid fever on Elk. This dread disease has seldom appeared in Pocahontas, and it is to be hoped that every precaution will be taken to prevent the fever spreading. About ten per cent of the cases of typhoid fever are fatal. Cold weather will not stop it. The only safe way is to burn everything that comes out of the patient's room.

—The Marlinton Debating Club will have an unusually interesting session next Friday evening at 7 p. m. The question is "Resolved that Washington deserves more praise for defending America than Columbus for discovering it." Affirmative E. H. Smith, and J. Woods Price; negative J. H. G. Wilson, and G. H. McLaughlin.

—The marriage of Mr. Amos S. Gay and Miss Mary M. M. Barlow daughter of Josiah Barlow, was performed at Marlinton, Tuesday morning, November 13th, by Rev. William T. Price. Congratulations are hereby cordially extended.

—Mr. Andrew McLaughlin was in Pocahontas this week and last on matters of special importance.

Kellison Recaptured.

Kellison, the boy charged with burglary, who escaped from the Huntersville jail, about dusk on the evening of November 5th, was brought back to jail last Sunday by Dice Rymal, of Hunter, assisted by a man named Crummett, having enjoyed a week's holiday.

Mr. Rymal was riding along and met the boy and suspected at once that it was Kellison. He asked some lumbermen about it, but they were disposed to shield him and gave evasive answers.

Rymal then got his pistol and overtaking Kellison, ordered him to drop all intentions of crossing the state line which was very near, and come to jail. Kellison protested, saying that he was just in from Staunton on most pressing business, and denied that he was the man. He came to Huntersville, however, and was identified.

Jailer Doyle had offered a reward of \$25, which was the immediate cause of his being brought back. Kellison's mother lives near Hunter, which is within a quarter of a mile of the state line. It was very foolish in the boy not going away when he had a chance, when he stands confessed of a felony, with no hope of escaping the penitentiary.

Jake Lorry contradicts that when he ran out of the jail by him that he passed between his legs, a report that has been circulated.

"It is not what you put into your pocket but what you take out that will make you rich."

OBITUARY.

FRANCIS MARION DURBIN.

F. M. Durbin, Esq., well known to the citizens of Marlinton and elsewhere in our county, died in Parkersburg, Sunday morning, November 1st, aged about fifty seven years.

He was stricken with apoplexy, Thursday morning previous, and lingered unconscious until the end. He was born and reared at Morgantown, and before attaining his majority, became clerk in the Morgantown bank, and during life was actively employed in the banking business, with but few intervals for recuperation owing to broken health. He was cashier of the First National Bank of Grafton, then of the First National Bank of Parkersburg, and at the time of his decease, was cashier of the Wood County Bank.

He was married in 1860, and his estimable wife and one son survive him. His wife was Miss Pickenspaugh of Morgantown. His son, C. E. Durbin, resides at Grafton, and is prominent in business affairs. Mother and son moun an irreparable loss.

Mr. Durbin's financial genius and business experience was frequently sought for. He seems to have been esteemed and honored as few persons have been in this respect.

He was a conspicuous member of the M. P. Church, but had many attached christian friends in denominations.

He will be long and affectionately remembered by the Sabbath School at Marlinton, and many others, for his liberal views and fervent christian example.

He was often heard to remark that of all places he ever lived in, he found Marlinton to be his preference for congenial Christian fellowship, pleasant society, and healthful climate in its influence upon himself.

MRS. ANN NOURSE VANDERVOORT

The sympathies of our entire community were deeply awakened by the sudden death of this estimable lady, the wife of Mr. William Vandervoort.

She was paralyzed Thursday night and lingered until Friday, in a comatose condition, when she gently passed away in the 70th year of her life. These worthy people were on the eve of their golden nuptials, having been married about fifty years. She was a professing Christian for forty years in the M. P. Church. She possessed to a remarkable degree the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit.

Mrs. E. D. King and Mr. Frank Vandervoort are her children.

"Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep,
From which none ever wakes to weep."

ADAM MARSHALL.

Adam Marshall, youngest son of Capt. J. W. Marshall, of Mingo, died Saturday, November 10th, of typhoid fever, at his home, aged 18 years. His illness was prolonged through weary weeks, hopes and fears alternating in the hearts of his devoted father, sisters, brothers, and hosts of sympathizing friends. He was a very quiet and amiable youth. The past two years he was much about Marlinton as a cadet of the Academy, and was greatly esteemed as a diligent student.

Being a child of the Covenant, the son of a mother passed into the skies, and the subject of many prayers and tears, there is much to console his friends in this sad event that removes a youth, so interesting.

DALLAS MCKEEVER.

Dallas McKeever, youngest son of Geo. W. McKeever, of Swago, died, last week, aged 18 years. He was sick three weeks and died of a relapse of diphtheria. A few weeks ago he was the picture of strength and vitality. His death came as a great shock to his friends, and was very unexpected. He was a brother of O. E. McKeever of Marlinton.

The Musical Association.

The singers of the county met in convention at Marlinton, on Thursday last, and continued in session for three days. The best talent was represented. Mr. S. B. Moore of Edray, has been President of the body for eight years, and was reelected. H. Lee White, of Driscol, is Secretary. The society holds semi-annual sessions at different points throughout the county.

The time is passed in singing, and song drill, discussion of topics

pertaining to music. The music is led by the singers, turn about, who by the way, are all called professors.

One amusing thing happened. A Professor was up leading a piece of music, when a gentleman on the back seat, who had imbibed something far more affecting than the intoxicating strains of music, woke up and demanded that they give the professor a harp, and became quite clamorous.

The musical association is an institution that has come to stay, and to a great number of our citizens, who have good voices, its meetings are looked forward to as one of the pleasantest events of the year.

Personal.

STUDENTS.

Mathews Hannah has entered the famous business college at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Robert Kerr, of Green Bank, writes home twice a week from West Point, and is progressing well; he ranks nineteenth in a class of one hundred and twenty.

Hunter Moomau has matriculated as a medical student in a Baltimore college.

James Moomau, followed his old teacher, Professor Arbuckle, to Spring Garden, Pittsylvania county, Va., where there is a flourishing high school.

Master Willie Bestor, lately with his uncle S. L. Brown, of Marlinton, is with his mother in Baltimore, and at school. His grandfather, Mr. Wm. L. Brown, saw on a recent business trip, He asked Willie which he liked best, Baltimore or Marlinton. "When I am in Baltimore I think I would like to be at Marlinton; when I am in Marlinton, I think I like Baltimore best."

THE SCHOOLS.

Miss Myrtle Herold has charge of the Glade Hill school.

Miss Bessie Patterson is teaching the Cross Roads school, half way between Dunmore and Green Bank.

Miss Norah Riley teaches at the Hanna school-house.

Miss Bertie Beard teaches at Pine Grove, north-east of Green Bank.

Miss Lena McLaughlin, at the commodious new Driftwood school house.

Miss Dora Brownlee, of Waynesboro, Va., conducts the Green Bank school.

Capt. C. B. Swecker, of Dunmore, a veteran correspondent of this paper, has been quite unwell for several weeks.

An interesting Sabbath school closed recently at Sunset. Misses Belle and Anna Cleek received prizes awarded for memorizing Scripture.

A. S. Bratton, Esqr., of Bath, was in Marlinton last Sunday to visit his son, W. A. Bratton, who returned to Virginia with him, to be gone a week.

Captain Smith, the lumber king, is absent at Ronceverte.

Mrs. Van Buren Arbogast, of Traveler's Repose, with her nephew, Yeager Beard, and niece Miss Veva Ledbetter, were in this village for a few days last week.

The Board of Canvassers.

The Board of Canvassers of this county, consisting of the members of the County Court, met this week on Monday and Tuesday, to count the votes. They were two days in finishing and had a lot of work to do. At Academy, the certificates of the qualification of the election officers had not been properly filled out, and the commissioners and clerks had to be summoned, and their evidence written down. Split Rock was a little informal in its returns, also Lobelia. The conclusion has been reached that the Australian Election Law is a daisy and passeth all understanding.

Wanless.

Winter has made its appearance. Quite a snow storm at this writing.

Rev. Fultz closed his meeting here on the 28th, ultimo, resulting in six conversions.

Corn husking seems to be the order of the day. Owing to the dry season, corn is turning out well. Mr. Zack Swink and son return-

ed from Beverly last week with a load of flour.

Miss Lucy Chestnut, of Bath county, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Agnes Gaiford.

Mr. Henry Barlow and wife and Mrs. George Baxter, of Edray, were visiting friends and relatives here last week.

Mr. Allen Galford raised the boss pumpkin this season, which weighed sixty pounds.

Mrs. Isabel Slaven, of Gillispie, was the guest of Mrs. Allen Burner last week.

Quite a number of persons from this vicinity attended the funeral of Mr. Charles Hevener, last Sunday, at the Moore School House. Also, the baptizing at the river, and report a crowd of four or five hundred people present on this occasion.

D. L. Barlow, County Superintendent, was visiting schools in this section, last week.

Miss Ella Kerr is teaching the Cold Run school, near Mr. James McLaughlin's.

Miss Early Wilfong, of Driftwood, was the guest of Miss Lizzie Wilfong, last Saturday night, and returned to her home on Sunday.

Mr. J. N. Gum is visiting her sister and brother near Gillispie.

Why not have our mail three times a week up Back Alleghany? Nov. 5. A CORRESPONDENT.

Green Bank.

Mr. J. Jackson, of Virginia, and Miss Lucy Siple passed through our burg last Saturday enroute for Monterey, Virginia.

Mr. G. D. Oliver will move into the S. Cooper property this week. We welcome him to our village.

Mrs. George Beverage and daughter, who have been ill with diphtheria, are convalescing.

Mrs. A. C. Sheets is ill with the dreaded diphtheria.

Mrs. S. C. Gay is convalescing.

The TIMES says that there was no sectional feeling raised over Barlow's candidacy, and that he was voted for simply as the nominee of the Democratic party, which is enough to say that he is the right man for the right place. Then why was Hon. J. P. Moomau scratched by voters of certain sections, he being the nominee of the same party.

Three cheers for old Green Bank District! If her voters did have to ride over the rugged Greenbrier Valley, they came in mass and for Democracy. Shame on the lower Districts for going astray because of prejudices.

Married: on the 7th instant, at the home of the bride's father, Mr. P. C. Ervine, Mr. Bud Arbogast and Miss Clara Ervine.

Married: on the 7th instant, (as reported) at the home of the bride, in Crabbottom, Virginia, Mr. Jesse Patterson and Miss Mollie Arbogast. That happiness may be their portion is the wish of your correspondent. OLD HICKORY.

Dilly's Mill.

Sweet summer is gone, and we feel the chilling winds of another winter.

The election is over and the Solid South is broken.

Mr. Johnnie Shradler is quite sick, at this writing, with typhoid fever.

Some of our young people attended the Musical Association, at Marlinton.

Messrs. W. and J. Shradler held a husking bee on the 9th instant, at which there were present twenty-four hands.

The people at this vicinity have been packing and wagoning grain to the Dunmore mill. Dilly's mill was much damaged by stopping to remove sawdust in the dam. We understand that Renick Kerr found the head and hide of one of his hogs in Michel's Mountain. It is not very healthy for fat hogs in that part.

Mr. Morgan Grimes had several bushels of corn stolen from a pile in the field where he had been husking. Lork out, thieves, there are traps and Winchesters in this neighborhood, and they will be resorted to.

Professor G. E. Moore has been visiting sweetheart and friends near Academy.

Quarterly meeting at Mt. Taber last Sunday. Rev. C. M. Fultz preached from Revelation 21st chapter 3d and 4th verses.

Rev. R. B. Little is transferred to Indiana Conference. The people are very loath to give up such a noble man.

A. C. Moore, the famous hunter, and W. L. Moore killed four fine deer in Marlin's Mountain.

ANONYMOUS.